

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph on p. 19 beginning at line 31 with the following replacement paragraph:

A DOI resolves to a URL as an argument to the resolver located at dx.doi.org. Hence, a DOI-based linking application appends the DOI to the address of the resolver:

dx.doi.org/10.1099/ijs.0.02298-0

Please replace the paragraph on p. 20 beginning at line 1 with the following replacement paragraph:

The resolver looks up the DOI and redirects the user to the URL that was paired with it, in this case:

ijs.sgmjournals.org/cgi/content/abstract/53/3/669